QUEBEC, 29th September, 1883.

## CIRCULAR CONCERNING THE TEACHERS' CONVENTION,

To the Protestant Teachers of the Province, with the sanction of the Hon. the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

I have the honor to direct your attention to the Annual Convention of Teachers, to be held at Lachute, on the 25th, 26th, and 27th of October next. These annual gatherings now exercise a very important influence upon the Educational work of the Province, and deserve the hearty support of all persons interested in Education. The Protestant Committee will be represented on that occasion, and it is hoped there will be a large attendance of those engaged in Elementary and Superior Education in the Province.

The Programme which is being prepared promises to be an interesting one, and will include among others, the following subjects:—

- Model Lessons on Reading, Spelling, Arithmetic, Grammar, Composition.
- 2. Discussion on the best methods of teaching these subjects.
- 3. Botany in our schools, and how to teach it.
- 4. Object lesson on a Plant.
- 5. Drawing.
- 6. The Classical Question.
- 7. Course of Study for Model Schools and Academies.
- 8. The Pension Act.
- 9. Regulations concerning Academy Diplomas.
- 10. Dr. Matthews' proposal to pay Teachers of Model Schools and Academies according to the percentage of marks gained by their pupils in the Examinations.
- 11. Representation of Elementary Education in the Council of Public Instruction.

This Programme is very full, and is of special interest to teachers of Model Schools and Academies, as the "Course of Study for Superior Schools" and "Payment by Results" are now under the consideration of the Protestant Committee. It is exceedingly desirable that there should be a large attendance of the teachers of the Model Schools and Academies, to express their opinion upon subjects of so much importance to the work in which they are engaged.

Further information can be obtained from the September-October number of the Educational Record, and from the Secretary of the Provincial Association, Fred. W. Kelley, Esq., Ph. D., High School, Montreal, to whom application should be made at once by all teachers desiring private hospitality.

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